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SUBJ: FOREIGN BUSINESS VISITOR, MUSTAPHA BOUARFA, DIRECTOR,
ALGERIAN NATIONAL COMPUTER AUTHORITY

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1. MUSTAPHA BOUARFA, DIRECTOR OF ALGERIA'S COMMISSARIAT NATIONAL A L'INFORMATIQUE, CNI, (ALGERIAN NATIONAL COMPUTER AUTHORITY) WILL ARRIVE IN NEW YORK ON JANUARY 31. HE WILL BE IN NEW YORK JANUARY 31 TO FEBRUARY 5, WASHINGTON FEBRUARY 5 TO 9 AND AGAIN IN WASHINGTON FEBRUARY 12-15.

2. BOUARFA WILL BE CONSULTING AT THE UNITED NATIONS IN NEW YORK WITH THE OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY CONCERNING EDP NEEDS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. HE WILL ALSO SIGN A MAJOR CONSULTING CONTRACT WITH COMPUTER SCIENCE CORPORATION FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF ALGERIA'S SOON TO BE ANNOUNCED COMPUTER PLAN.

3. BOUARFA WILL BE AVAILABLE IN NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON ON THE DATES GIVE ABOVE FOR APPOINTMENTS WITH U.S. FIRMS INTERESTED IN SEEING HIM. HE WILL NOT REPEAT NOT MAKE ANY APPOINTMENTS HIMSELF. INTERESTED U.S. FIRMS CAN MAKE APPOINTMENST THROUGH THE ALGERIAN MISSION TO THE U.N. FOR THE NEW YORK DATES AND THE ALGERIAN EMBASSY IN WASHIWRGTON FOR THE WASHINGTON DATES.

4. BOUARFA WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY MR. GHRASI, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AT CNI AND MR. HILOUCI, SPECIAL EDP COUNSELOR TO THE MINISTER OF PLAN

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5. BOUARFA HAS SUGGESTED A MEETING WITH INTERESTED DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND COMMERCE OFFICIALS AS WELL AS INTERESTED BUSINESSMEN ON FEBURARY 13 IN WASHINGTON AT EITHER STATE OR COMMERCE. BOUARFA WOULD LIKE T MAKE A PREVIEW PRESENTATION OF ALGERIA'S COMPUTER PLAN. AS COMATT FLACK PLANS TO BE IN WASHINGTON FEBRUARY 13 IN CONNECTION WITH FORTHCOMING ALGERIAN TRADE MISSION HE COULD ALSO ATTEND. AN INTERPRETER WOULD BE NEEDED.

6. IN ADDITION, BOUARFA IS INTERESTED IN POSSIBILITY OF VISITING TWO TYPES OF INSTALLATIONS. A LARGE EDP TRAINING CENTER, EITHER AT A PRIVATE FIRM OF A SCHOOL; AND A COMPUTERIZED TECHNICAL LIBRARY. ALGERIA'S COMPUTER PLAN WILL INCLUDE LARGE SCALE TRAINING PROGRAMS AND THE BUILDING AND EQUIPING OF A COMPUTERIZED NATIONAL TECHNICAL LIBRARY.

7. BOUARFA HAS LIST OF 13 U.S. FIRMS MENTIONED REFTELS BUT WILL NOT CONTACT THEM DIRECTLY. HE ASKS ONLY THAT THEY BE ADVISED OF HIS VISIT AS PER DATES ABOVE AND IF THEY ARE INTERESTED THEY CAN CALL HIM.

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